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PART 4

GAAAAH!!

GRNYAAA!

HAGH

HAGH
BWAAH
SHUT
UP.
NOT THE NEW NOSE...
KRUCH --HOW DID YOU MAKE THE FACADE VIRUS ELIMINATE MY MUTANT ABILITIES?
NOT ELIMINATE, CABLE. OBFUSCATE.
THEY ARE STILL THERE. YOU JUST CAN'T... REACH OUT AND TOUCH THEM.
LIKE ME AN' THE OLSEN TWINS.
I MEAN, A FOURTEEN-STATE RESTRAINING ORDER, BIT EXCESSIVE, DON'TCHATHINK?
WILL YOU STOP?!

NO!
THAT'S A GOOD ARGUMENT.
OKAY, HOW ABOUT, "NO, YOU CREATINE-INFLATED WEINY!"
BETTER.

KEEP WORKING ON IT WHILE I DO THIS THING OVER HERE...
KTANG
PRIME MINISTER ANTON KRUCH. SO...YOU WANT TO REMAKE PEOPLE IN YOUR IMAGE--ALL BLUE.
YOU SAID IT WAS A GOOD PLAN!
HAS POTENTIAL. BUT I IMAGINE THE PITCH WOULD BE A MUCH HARDER SELL IF IT INVOLVED, OH, I DON'T KNOW...
...CASTRATION?
WHAT--?
IN YOUR IMAGE...
...OR WHAT IT WILL BE IF YOU DON'T TELL ME HOW TO STOP THIS VIRUS INSIDE ME...

HEY, HEY--
--IF IT'S FOUR O'CLOCK I MUST BE LIKING THIS ONE WORLD CHURCH THING, BUT I AM NOT CUTTING OFF MR. MIGHTY, SO LET'S NOT EVEN GO THERE!
WATCH THE SWORD!
WILSON, DO YOU REALLY BELIEVE IN KRUCH'S PITCH?
YEAH--WELL, NO, BUT--I MEAN, I KNOW IT PROBABLY WOULD NEVER WORK, BUT DON'T IT SOUND-- I DON'T KNOW-- NICE?
NICE?
I KNEW YOU WERE GONNA BUST ME FOR THAT ONE.
NO, SORRY--ACTUALLY, NICE IS OKAY. IT MIGHT SOUND GOOD, WADE--
--BUT YOU HATE THE WORLD ENOUGH TO KNOW WHY IT WOULD NEVER WORK.
I DO NOT HATE EVERYTHING ABOUT THE WORLD.
JUST EVERY SHOW THEY'VE EVER PUT ON AFTER FRIENDS.
EXCEPT SCRUBS. COME TO THINK OF IT, I HATE FRIENDS, TOO...
...BUT NOT THE THEME SONG! STILL HOLDS UP, DON'TCHA--
CRASH
WHY DO I BOTHER?

AND MARTHA STEWART.
AND RESTRAINING ORDERS.
AND COLONOSCOPIES.
...
OKAY, I LIKE THOSE...
HEY, BONUS. HE THREW ME INTO MY DORM ROOM. WHAT'RE THE ODDS?
HMM... HEALING FACTOR'S HAVIN' A TOUGH TIME WITH THIS FACADE THING INSIDE ME...
We are All As One. We are All as One.
YOU'RE ON YOUR OWN!
ANTON --AN ANTIDOTE TO THIS VIRUS, PLEASE.
WHAT--WHAT IS WRONG WITH YOU?
IT'S CALLED A TECHNO-ORGANIC VIRUS. LIKE CANCER. MY TELEKINESIS GOT RID OF IT FOR A WHILE. IT CAME BACK.
SINCE THE TEKE IS THE ONLY THING THAT KEEPS IT FROM SPREADING--
--AND YOUR FACADE VIRUS IS STOPPING ME FROM ACCESSING MY POWERS...
THIS METALLIC CANCER SPREADS INSIDE YOU.
UHM...I'M REALLY GOING TO REGRET SAYING THIS, BUT...
...THERE IS NO ANTIDOTE.

HEY, NATE, BABY--
PFFT
PFFT
WHAT'S RED AND BLACK AND BLUE ALL OVER?

PFFT NNGGH
PFFT
PFFT
PFFT
PFFT
HEY--NO HIDING NOW-- HOW TOTALLY PEE WEE HERMAN ARE YOU GONNA BE ABOUT THIS?
BE A MAN'S MAN LIKE GEORGE OR DICK WHO SERVED THEIR COUNTRY WHEN THE CALL CAME!
HIS NAME IS DICK. THAT'S FUNNY.
NNNH
OOOH, THOSE LAST ONES HAD TO HURT!
ARRIVADOICHEE.
SEE, I CAN PICK UP FRENCH, NO PROB.
OKAY, SO-- WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

"ALL THIS HARD WORK'S MAKING ME HUNGRY!"
HMM. YES. MERRYWEATHER. THE DAILY BUGLE IN NEW YORK.
WONDERING IF ANYONE FROM YOUR COMPANY WOULD LIKE TO COMMENT ON THE THEFT OF AN EXPERIMENTAL FACE-CHANGING VIRUS?
AND HOW IT TIES IN TO THE YOUNG ANARCHISTS WHO RAN AROUND FRANKFURT A FEW DAYS AGO?
NO COMMENT? YES, I SEE.
NOT A VIRUS? WELL, THAT IS A COMMENT.
AND IT DOESN'T CHANGE FACES? WELL, WHAT DOES IT DO?
TRADE SECRET? NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT?
YES. ANYTHING FURTHER YOU'D LIKE TO ADD TO YOUR "NO COMMENT"?
NO, NO... OF COURSE I UNDERSTAND.
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Held in Frankfurt prison.
THINK FIVE MOVES AHEAD!

SUNIC PHARMACOPOEIA
FRANKFURT, GERMANY
(SHE WAS AN AMERICAN REPORTER!)
(HOW CAN YOU BE CERTAIN?)
SAID, "MY IRENE WEATHER. I AM AN AMERICAN REPORTER!")
(THIS IS GETTING OUT OF HAND.)
(IF THEY REALIZE THE PROCESS BATCH THEY STOLE WAS FLAWED...)
(WE HAVE TO PROTECT THE SINGAPORE FACILITY!)
THAT RESEARCH LAB ALREADY IS BEING PROTECTED.
THAT'S WHY YOU HIRED ME...

THE ONE WORLD CHURCH. FRANCE.
WHERE IS CABLE?
DOWN THERE.
DOWN THERE?
YEAH.
I SHOT HIM. HE FELL. IT HAPPENS.
THROUGH THE ROOF?
YEAH.
INTO THE WAREHOUSE?
YEAH, WHY?
BECAUSE THAT'S THE ARMORY.
OH.
GO FIGURE. A CHURCH WITH ORDNANCE. HOW MEDIEVAL.

WA-BOOM
I TRIED DOING THIS THE *HARD WAY*.
I REALLY *DID*.
SNUCK IN HERE.
LISTENED TO YOUR HOLIER-THAN-THOU DIATRIBES.
TRIED TO STEAL THE DELIVERANCE DEVICE WITHOUT ANY VIOLENCE.
BUT THAT DIDN'T WORK, SO...

...TIME TO TAKE THE EASY WAY OUT!
LIEFELD XS
I DIE UNFULFILLED, NEVER HAVING RECEIVED MY GETTING T[illegible] DVD.
KOOM
KOOM
KOOM
WHERE ARE THE SCIENTISTS?
START THE CAR! START THE CAR!

WHERE ARE WE GOING?
ORLY. I'M BOOKING A FLIGHT OUT NOW.
INSUFFICIENT FUNDS?
THE CHURCH ACCOUNT HAS OVER FOURTEEN MIL--
RLD CHURCH
ACCOUNT BALANCE:
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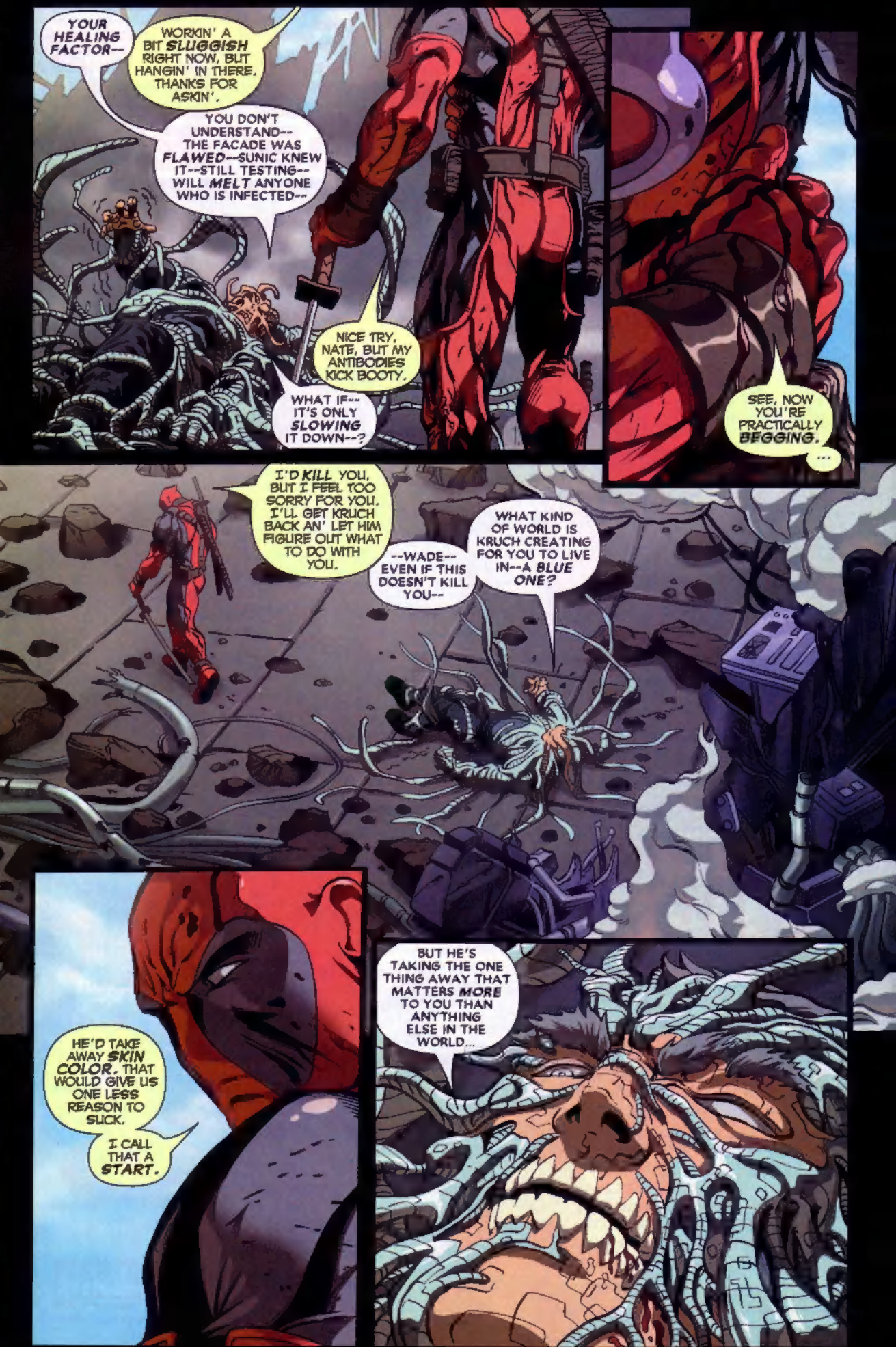
HOW--?
THREE MIL FOR THE N.A.A.C.P.
THREE FOR THE MAGIC JOHNSON FOUNDATION.
THREE MIL FOR MOM...
I WANT FOUR THIS TIME!
DOES THIS MEAN YOU CAN'T PAY ME?
JUST DRIVE!

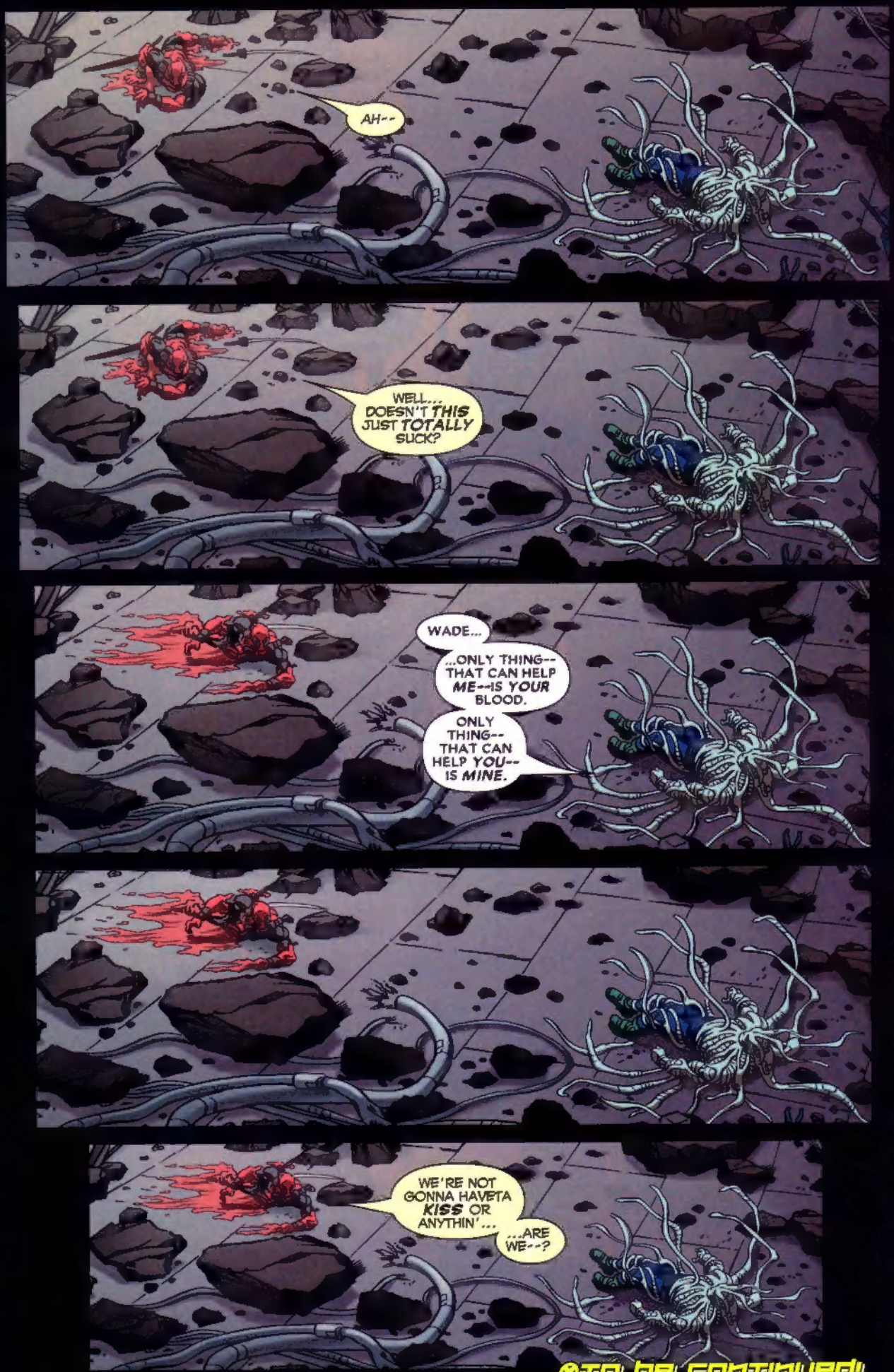
I NEED TO UNDERSTAND HOW THIS MACHINE WORKED.
EXACTLY WHICH PART OF MY STATEMENT WASN'T CLEAR?
...
BOOM
I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND THE PART WHERE YOU BITE MY--
IDIOT!

I NEED THAT MACHINE OPERATIONAL!
WHY? SO YOU CAN TAKE OVER THE WORLD FOR YOURSELF?
YOU THINK I DON'T GET YOU? YOU THINK I BUY INTO THE WHOLE "MERCENARY FOR PEACE" SCHTICK?
NO!
SHUK
I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE THINKIN', NATE!
ALL YOUR LIFE, FIGHTIN' AGAINST HITLER WANNA-BE'S-- ONLY WAY TO END THE FIGHT IS TO BECOME A HITLER YOURSELF!

THAT'S A GOOD ARGUMENT.
SHETH
MAN, YOU'RE OUTTA SHAPE. BEEN PLAYING MUTANT GOD-SOLDIER TOO LONG...LOST YOUR EDGE.
IDIOT--IT'S-- THE TECHNO-ORGANIC MESH-- PARALYZING ME--
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING--
--UHM... NATE...
...I'VE SEEN YOU LOOKING BETTER...
...WHICH, IF YOU'VE EVER LOOKED IN THE MIRROR--
--IS SAYING QUITE A BIT ABOUT THE CRAP-CIRCUS THAT IS PITCHING A TENT ON YOUR FACE RIGHT NOW, DUDE.
T-O MESH-- ATTACKING FACADE VIRUS--INHIBITING MY POWERS--WHICH HELPS KEEP THE T-O MESH IN CHECK...
...ALL EATING AWAY AT EACH OTHER...RIPPING ME APART--
LIKE... CANCER...


YOUR HEALING FACTOR--
WORKIN' A BIT SLUGGISH RIGHT NOW, BUT HANGIN' IN THERE, THANKS FOR ASKIN'.
YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND-- THE FACADE WAS FLAWED--SUNIC KNEW IT--STILL TESTING-- WILL MELT ANYONE WHO IS INFECTED--
NICE TRY, NATE, BUT MY ANTIBODIES KICK BOOTY.
WHAT IF-- IT'S ONLY SLOWING IT DOWN--?
SEE, NOW YOU'RE PRACTICALLY BEGGING.
...
I'D KILL YOU, BUT I FEEL TOO SORRY FOR YOU. I'LL GET KRUCH BACK AN' LET HIM FIGURE OUT WHAT TO DO WITH YOU.
--WADE-- EVEN IF THIS DOESN'T KILL YOU--
WHAT KIND OF WORLD IS KRUCH CREATING FOR YOU TO LIVE IN--A BLUE ONE?
HE'D TAKE AWAY SKIN COLOR. THAT WOULD GIVE US ONE LESS REASON TO SUCK.
I CALL THAT A START.
BUT HE'S TAKING THE ONE THING AWAY THAT MATTERS MORE TO YOU THAN ANYTHING ELSE IN THE WORLD...

HE NEVER SAID ANYTHING ABOUT TAKING MY PORN!
EVEN MORE-- IMPORTANT-- THAN THAT.
SWEET ODIN! IS THAT BLUE BOZO GOING TO TAKE AWAY THE TACO BELLS--?
YOUR OPINIONS, WADE! HE'S GIVING YOU RELIGION, HE'S GIVING YOU UNITY, TAKING AWAY HATE--AND THOUGHT---
--HE'S TAKING AWAY YOUR RIGHT TO AN OPINION!
CASE YOU AIN'T NOTICED...MY OPINIONS ONLY WORK TO COVER UP THE FACT THAT I GOT NOTHING.
WADE--I NEED YOUR HEALING FACTOR-- TO OVERRIDE THE FACADE--
AND I NEED A GORDITA.
HUH...?
SPLURGG
AUNTIE EM! AUNTIE EM!
GLUBBRSH!


AH--
WELL... DOESN'T THIS JUST TOTALLY SUCK?
WADE...
...ONLY THING-- THAT CAN HELP ME--IS YOUR BLOOD.
ONLY THING-- THAT CAN HELP YOU-- IS MINE.
WE'RE NOT GONNA HAVETA KISS OR ANYTHIN'...
...ARE WE--?
TO BE CONTINUED!
(NOT THAT THERE'S ANYTHING WRONG WITH THAT!)